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Rent the Chicken sets up shop in B.C.

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Study: Eyewitness memory of black suspects skewed

UBC

People darken skin colour when recalling certain crimes: Researcher

Thandi Fletcher
Metro | Vancouver

A University of British Columbia researcher has discovered that eyewitnesses remember the faces of black suspects differently depending on the type of crime committed.

The study, published recently in the journal Social Psychological and Personality Science, found that eyewitnesses remember the faces of black suspects accused in crimes such as drive-by shootings as darker skinned than black suspects accused in crimes such as serial killings.

Their memories were further skewed when the victims were women or white men, the researchers found.

"We found that if we expose eyewitnesses to a stereotypically 'black crime,' they actually remember the perpetrator of that crime as being more black than they are in reality," said Paul Davies, psychology professor at UBC's Okanagan campus and lead author of the study.

For the study, researchers had participants watch a video of a black man. In one scenario, participants were told the man was a suspect in a serial killing. In a second scenario, participants were led to believe the man was a suspect in a drive-by shooting.

Participants were then shown photos of the suspect, whose features were digitally manipulated, and were asked to stop on the frame that most accurately represented the suspect they saw in the video.

The researchers found that when witnesses were told the suspect had committed a stereotypically "white crime," they remembered his face with a high degree of accuracy. When witnesses were told the suspect had committed a stereotypically "black crime," they falsely remembered his face.

Davies said the findings underscore a need for caution when relying on eyewitness testimony in the justice system.

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FORT MCMURRAY WILDFIRE
As the dust from the Fort McMurray crisis settles, some residents can't wait to return and rebuild, while others want to leave the tragedy behind and start anew. **Canada**

City plans to use modular housing to address shortage

REAL ESTATE

Up to 120 units going in at underutilized sites: Mayor

Matt Kieltyka
Metro | Vancouver

Up to 120 units of temporary, modular housing will be built on two city sites early next year, Mayor Gregor Robertson announced.

The city says it will soon issue a Request for Proposals for modular housing at two city-owned sites awaiting redevelopment at 1500 Main St. (currently an urban orchard) and 1060 Howe St. (on a raised parkade).

An expected mix of container and pre-fabricated modular housing will provide homes for people on fixed or low incomes from two to five years.

Rents for the 280-or-so-square-foot microsuites (which will contain a kitchen and bathroom) will start at the shelter rate of $375.

The announcement comes a day after the city released its 2015 Housing and Homelessness Strategy Report Card, which says the city's 10-year housing plan is in need of a midlife revamp because of the "unprecedented" rise in housing prices throughout the city.

Atira Women's Resource Society's **shipping container housing development** at 502 Alexander St. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/FOR METRO

> We need more types of housing, more innovation across the housing markets and certainly, for those on low and fixed incomes, we need better solutions.
> Mayor Greg Robertson

"We've had some good success on a number of points along the housing spectrum but there are still weak links and there are still enormous pressures on the housing market and a lack of truly affordable housing," Robertson said Thursday. "So we need more types of housing, more innovation across the housing markets and certainly, for those on low and fixed incomes, we need better solutions.

"Modular housing is an approach that fills one of those gaps ... but ultimately we need to building permanent housing to make up the overall needed."

Mukhtar Latif, Vancouver's chief housing officer, said modular housing is attractive because it can be delivered quickly, is cost-efficient, and can be transferred easily to other sites once the land they sit on is ready for redevelopment.

"We can create new affordable units to address some of our more immediate affordable housing needs," said Latif. "It's an interesting idea to explore ways in which we can use underutilized land while it is waiting for development."

Despite Vancouver's well-documented affordability challenges, Robertson said the city is determined to find a solution.

"We will not back down on that in the face of an affordability crunch," he said. "We want to be sure we're pursuing a wide range of options in terms of housing, making sure we're creating opportunities for people to live here in the city regardless of their income or their situation."

$375
The shelter-rate rent for the 280-or-so-square-foot microsuites with kitchen and bathroom.

IN USE

Recycled shipping containers have already been used as modular housing in Vancouver, including at Atira Women's Resource Society's 12-unit container housing development at 502 Alexander St., which opened in 2013.

It's a chicken and egg situation — for rent

FOOD

Wannabe urban farmers can test out the lifestyle first

Coby Fraser, 2, holds a hen in front of a Rent The Chicken coop in Victoria. The unique business rents out two to four hens, which includes food and a coop delivered to your home. CHAD HIPOLITO/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Kate Fraser holds a big brown hen she calls Dr. Donna in her arms while her two-year-old son Coby tugs on the bird's leathery feet.

Fraser, 34, says she always wanted to be a farm girl, and this month she helped other would-be farmers with similar dreams of eating yard-to-table fresh eggs by renting out several dozen chickens.

Fraser is one of two Rent the Chicken operators in B.C. and among eight across Canada.

"Renting is the way to try it out without committing to buying and building your own coop and raising your own chicks, and finding out they are actually roosters instead of hens," said Fraser, who lives in Saanich, a suburb of Victoria. "It's a way for you and your family to try out chickens. They are fun to have around."

Rent the Chicken comes with two or four egg-laying hens, a mobile coop, food and water dishes, and a food supply, including dried meal worms, which chickens apparently love.

The rental fee ranges from $425 for two hens and $600 for four hens for six months, from May to October.

Renters have the option of adopting their hens at the end the six-month period for a fee of $250 for two hens or $350 for four hens. The coop is included.

"I've already booked all my rentals for 2016," said Fraser. "There's a wait list. We sold out by February and people just started getting their orders."

Lucy Hewlett said she's happy with her rental chickens so far but she has yet to decide on adoption.

The avid vegetable gardener in Colwood, near Victoria, said she viewed the rental as an opportunity to test raising farm animals.

"It seemed affordable and practical," Hewlett said. "I'd always wanted fresh eggs and having an organic option. So, it fit in in many ways."

She said her two hens started producing eggs within the first week.

"I've had half a dozen in less than a week," said Hewlett. "They're delicious. I had a really nice egg this morning for breakfast."

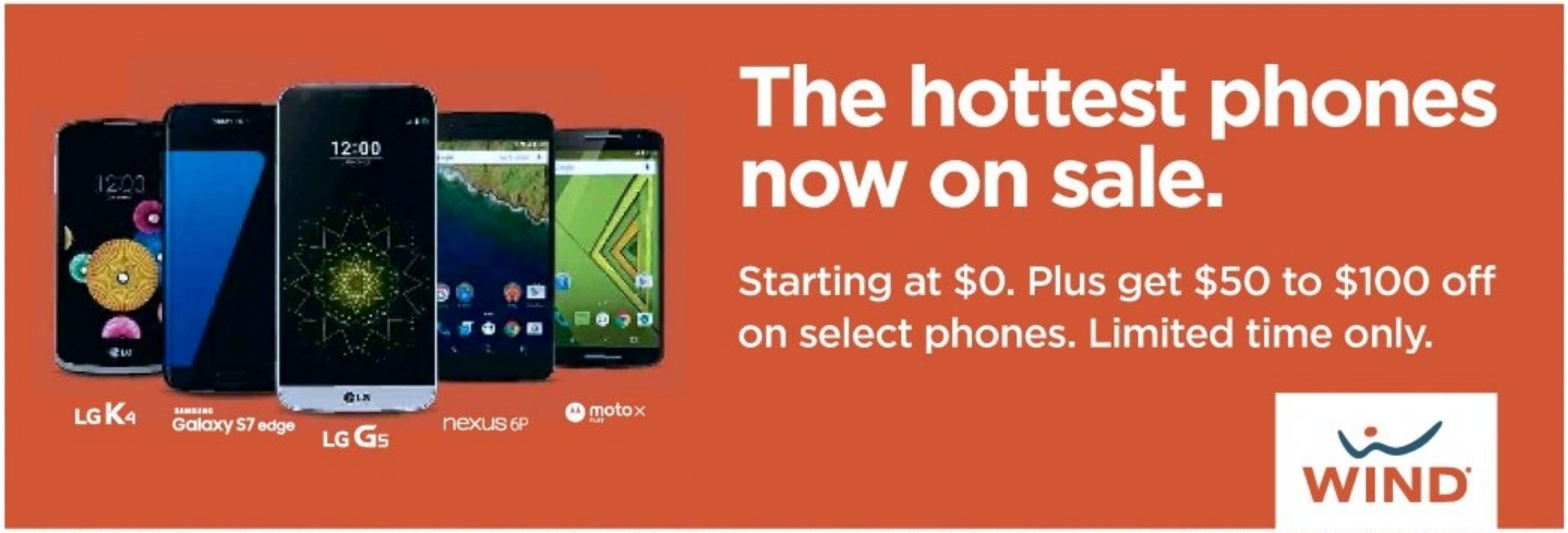
Rent the Chicken co-founder Jenn Tompkins said rentals started in 2013 in the U.S.

Rent the Chicken started in Canada last year in Ontario, where there are three locations total, and one each in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. The other B.C. location is in Kamloops. THE CANADIAN PRESS

THE RULES

Where some Canadian cities stand: The trend of backyard chickens is growing. Here is a list of backyard chicken regulations for some Canadian cities:

- **Edmonton** runs an urban hens pilot project and has issued 50 licences. A committee is studying potential issues and concerns.
- **Vancouver** allows a max of four hens per lot, but no roosters are permitted. Residents are not allowed to slaughter chickens in the yard.
- **Whitehorse** residents can have six hens on urban properties if they apply for a permit, have the hens for personal use only and don't sell the eggs, manure, meat or other chicken products.
- **Victoria** has no backyard chicken limits, but the numbers must be consistent with personal egg use.
- **Calgary, Winnipeg and Toronto** do not allow backyard chickens, though bylaw officers in Toronto will only investigate if neighbours complain.
- **Halifax** has endured numerous backyard chicken debates, but so far the city does not permit them.
- In **Montreal**, some boroughs allow chickens.



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What Expo '86 left behind

The mayor who got elected by opposing fair is happy to admit it ultimately did the city good

CAFÉ POLITICS **EXPOSING THE LEGACY**

Neal Hall
For Metro | Vancouver

Thirty years later, former Vancouver mayor and former B.C. premier Mike Harcourt says the Expo 86 world's fair was a huge success, despite the fact that he initially opposed it.

Harcourt recalled he ran for mayor in 1980 on a "No to Expo" platform, which got him elected.

He was worried at the time that hosting the world's fair would leave Vancouver with a huge debt, similar to the $1.2-billion debt that Montreal had after hosting Expo 67, which took decades to pay off.

His opposition to Expo 86 shocked the provincial government, which wanted to hold the world's fair in Vancouver in 1986 to celebrate the city's 100th anniversary.

Harcourt said he set three conditions for the fair to be built: Vancouver's needed a rapid transit system, a game plan for the site after the fair and the need to protect low-income people living in Downtown Eastside single-room-occupancy (SRO) hotels, who were vulnerable to being ousted and to jacked-up rents.

In hindsight, Harcourt said, some SRO residents were displaced during the fair, but the city got the Expo SkyTrain line, BC Place and the Vancouver Convention Centre.

At the time, Harcourt favoured going with proven rapid-transit technology, but the federal government favoured an unproven automated transit system by Montreal-based Bombardier.

As it turned out, Harcourt said, the SkyTrain system proved to be a success, as was the fair itself, which opened with rain but experienced sunny skies during almost its entire six-month run.

The fair projected 14 million visitors but in the end got 22 million, Harcourt said, recalling that his son and wife Beckie bought season passes and went to the fair no less than 80 times.

"We really hit the world stage and got huge publicity worldwide," Harcourt recalled of the international media coverage of Expo 86. "It was a tremendous positive result ... a huge boost for tourism."

To help pay for its $400-million share of the fair debt, the province started the 6/49 lottery, he added.

> **We really hit the world stage and got huge publicity worldwide.**
> Mike Harcourt, ex-Vancouver mayor

The striking geodesic dome, which houses the Telus World of Science, was created for Expo 86. JEFF HODSON/METRO

He credited the federal government for agreeing to pick up the $200-million cost of the Convention Centre, which helped attract foreign visitors from around he world.

As for the post-Expo plan for the site, Harcourt said he preferred parcelling out redevelopment to a number of developers to replicate the success on the south side of False Creek.

But, instead, the provincial government was dazzled by the bid by Hong Kong billionaire Li Ka-shing, who paid $320 million for the entire site, which constituted 20 per cent of downtown Vancouver.

Harcourt is impressed by the redevelopment of the site over the last three decades.

"I think it worked out extremely well, particularly the public access to the waterfront," he said, adding the seawall and waterfront access now stretches from the downtown Convention Centre, around Stanley Park, False Creek and almost all the way to the University of B.C.

"It's quite a remarkable success," he said.

Harcourt also credits the 2010 Winter Olympics for expanding the capacity of the convention centre, the building of the Canada Line rapid transit system from the airport to downtown Vancouver and the $600 million of road improvements to the Sea to Sky highway to Whistler.

"We now have $2 billion year in tourism," Harcourt said.

And while Expo 86 and the 2010 Olympics boosted interest in people moving to Vancouver, those events should not be blamed for the city's spiralling real estate prices in recent years, he said.

Instead, Harcourt blamed the "atrocious behaviour of agents" involved in "shadow flipping" properties and driving up prices to the point that high-tech companies such as Hootsuite are having trouble attracting people to Vancouver because of the high cost of housing.

"I feel very upset about it," Harcourt said.

He pointed out that Singapore, Australia, London and other governments have brought in measures to control foreign investment.

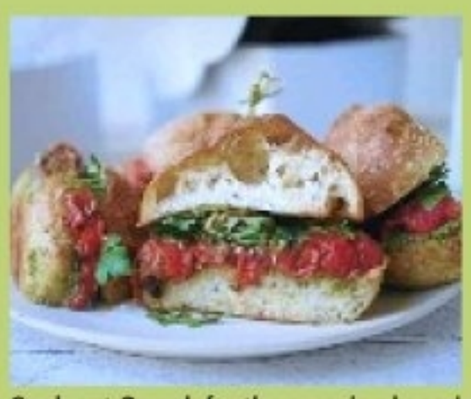
He also said the provincial and federal governments need to work with Vancouver to create more affordable housing such as the non-profit co-op housing program, which ended in 1994.

"We've been asleep at the switch and have not taken action," Harcourt said.

FOOD NOTES **THE AMAZING SANDWICH SHOP YOU'VE NEVER HEARD OF**

Erin Ireland
Metro | Vancouver

During a quick pit stop at a local commissary kitchen, a new artisan tenant handed me one of his hot, fresh-from-the-oven focaccia buns to sample. Normally, I wouldn't be too interested in eating a plain old bun, but I pulled it apart and was hit by the smell of fresh bread and hot steam. A few bites in and I couldn't stop. It was moist and sprinkled with just the right amount of kosher salt and rosemary.



Seek out Crumb for the amazing bread and sandwiches. ERIN IRELAND/FOR METRO

After speaking with him, I could tell how passionate Crumb Sandwich shop Owner David Khayutin was about his bread and guessed his sandwiches were made with love, too. So, I placed an order.

Of his twelve classic-yet-creative menu items (all sandwiches), I tried the tomato ricotta and La Bomba, which was made with a medley of mushrooms, artichoke, fennel and eggplant on fig and walnut bread. The former stole all my attention with its bright red, juicy grape tomatoes (sautéed into a smoked cherry tomato jam) that were bursting from the seam. David sautés them with shallots, garlic and a bit of Demerara sugar. A walnut pesto, spread generously onto the sandwich's rosemary focaccia bun base, added another hit of bold flavour. To top it all off, a handful of fried garlic chips, along with peppery arugula, are piled on top to complete the masterpiece.

Nine of Crumb's sandwiches are meaty and three are vegetarian. With 24-hours notice, however, vegan options are available.

Currently, David is hunting for real estate to set up shop. In the meantime, you can order direct through his site, **crumbvancouver.com**, or through Foodee.

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Devan McClelland makes a delivery for Shift, a cargo-trike courier company. CONTRIBUTED

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Amy Logan
For Metro | Vancouver

On any given day in Vancouver, Shift Delivery cyclists are zipping across the city on cargo trikes, delivering everything from office supplies to produce.

Demand for their pedal-powered services has been growing "steadily," according to Shift Delivery co-owner Ben Wells, who founded the co-op with Robyn Ashwell. Vancouver's environmentally conscious citizens seem to be spurring on the city's interest in bike-centric businesses. While traditional bike courier jobs are disappearing, Shift has seen business grow "by 30 per cent over the last 15 months," Wells said, and it shows no signs of slowing down.

According to Wells, Shift "was born out of a desire to improve conditions in the downtown core, to reduce pollution, and to find creative ways of using alternative transportation." Shift aims to find ways to change the ways things are done by using "low impact solutions," he said.

The cargo trikes have a capacity of up to 500 pounds, similar to a medium-sized SUV. Shift partners with businesses ranging from SPUD to Tacofino. It offers a recycling program with Recycling Alternative for members of the Strathcona Business Improvement Association, and also hosts mobile advertising. Responding to increased demand, they are adding three more trikes to their fleet for a total of ten by the end of May.

The Food Pedalers has also seen exponential growth. The company grows micro-greens like sunflower, buckwheat and radish shoots year-round in its repurposed shipping-container greenhouse. Greens are harvested in the morning and delivered in the afternoon, ensuring maximum freshness.

Vancouver s mild climate and expanding bicycle lanes and infrastructure mean that bicycle delivery makes sense not only from an environmental perspective, but also from an economic one. "The capital needed for buying and maintaining a bicycle is substantially less than a car, and we never need to pay for parking," said

Ross Jarvis, a member of the Food Pedalers crew.

As Jarvis put it, using bikes "really is the most efficient way for us to carry out our deliveries, and it's clear we're not alone judging from the growing numbers of businesses choosing bikes."

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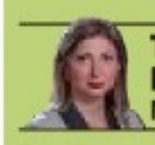

Thandi Fletcher
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For Vancouver cyclist Thomas Eleizegui, few experiences are as exhilarating as exploring the North Shore Mountains on bike.

"For me, it's meditation," he told Metro. "It takes you away from your everyday life. It's an escape."

Now Eleizegui, owner of the popular bike-friendly coffee bar Musette Caffe, wants visitors to Vancouver to experience the same cycling routes and breathtaking views enjoyed by locals.

Teaming up with the Loden Hotel in downtown Vancouver, Eleizegui and business partner Sebastian Salas are offering a new initiative, called WanderFIT, that takes hotel guests on guided cycling and hiking trips to explore the region's vast array of routes and trails.

The goal is to let guests to maintain their personal fitness routines away from home while also experiencing the West Coast lifestyle.

"I've been on trips and I've taken my bike with me, and what better way to explore a city," he said. Unlike tour companies that take tourists to popular sites like the Grouse Grind, Eleizegui said, WanderFIT specializes in more "off the beaten path" routes, like the BCMC, a longer and less crowded alternative to the Grind.

WanderFIT packages, which include accommodation, are available at the Loden Hotel starting at $457 per night for hiking and $537 for cycling. For locals interested in trying a guided trip, Eleizegui also offer tours through Musette Caffè, located on Burrard and Harwood, with prices starting at $210 for a two-hour ride.

A charred oven is shown in the Abasands neighbourhood during a media tour of Fort McMurray. THE CANADIAN PRESS

'I had a home before I left'

HOUSING

Lease deals a source of tension for many residents

Helen Pike
Metro | Calgary

Fort McMurray's fire only charred about 10 per cent of homes in the area, but for tenants and landlords still barred from the city, both could see losses over lease agreements.

Renters looking for answers about getting back their May 1 deposits won't find them in Alberta's Residential Tenancies Act. According to a Calgary real estate lawyer, acts of God aren't part of provincial legislation and normally fall under the insurance.

Kim Clemens and her husband fled Fort McMurray after beginning a new lease on a condo. They paid their first month's rent and a damage deposit she says they may not get back.

"One week into evacuation they call to tell us they were evicting us because they needed the condo back," Clemens said. "They said their home was gone so they needed that condo."

She said they intend to stay, and have already spoken to a lawyer about their rights — they've been advised to continue paying rent and that the landlord needs a just cause to evict them.

"I cry a lot," Clemens said. "I was happy, I had a home before I left."

Calgary real estate lawyer Jeffrey Kahane said first steps include checking with your landlord and your insurance company – if you have one.

"There's nothing in the act that would let (tenants) get their month's rent back," Kahane said.

"They're renting the property, all their stuff is in the property, and it's unfortunate. They could try talking to their landlord, but they're under no obligation to give it to them."

A form published by the Centre for Public Legal Education Alberta and Laws for Landlords and Tenants in Alberta reflects as much.

SAFETY

Fire may not return for years: Experts

Ryan Tumilty
Metro | Edmonton

Silver linings will be small comfort to the residents of Fort McMurray, but the massive fire that forced all to flee may keep the community safe from a similar disaster in the future.

Chad Morrison, senior wildfire manager in Alberta, said the fire has destroyed so much of the forest around the community that it would be difficult for another to spread there again.

"With the fire that has burnt around the community, much of the vegetation has been consumed, so that will actually protect if the fire ends up turning around," he said.

Morrison said there are untouched areas of the forest and crews will work on those to make the community safer, before residents return. "Once the fire has burned through, it won't return there, but there is still lots of work to make that safe," he said.

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Will they stay, or will they go?

In the aftermath of the Fort McMurray wildfire, which saw more than 88,000 people evacuated, many people don't know what the future holds. Metro spoke to two households with very different plans.

Alex Boyd
Metro | Edmonton

If Zander Jacobs' parents have their way, their son will be reunited with the Sith lords he loves as soon as possible, back in Fort McMurray.

Ten-year-old Zander left his two action figures behind in his home — luckily still standing — when he evacuated it last week with his family.

Jacobs can't wait to see Darth Vader and Darth Maul again.

"I'm a really big Star Wars fan," he said. "I love all of them."

But his parents are just keen to return to the city they love.

Connie and Zander Jacobs want to return home.
KEVIN TUNG/FOR METRO

"We're planning on going back, though there'll be lots of work to do," said Connie Jacobs, Zander's mother. "That's our home no matter where we are, that's where our heart is right now."

Evacuating the city was chaotic for the Jacobs family: Zander, his sister and father, Steven, weren't at home and ended up being evacuated north, while his mother was at home, and loaded up their two dogs, cat and bearded dragon — packed into an Old Dutch potato-chip box — and headed south. They're now staying at a friend's place in Spruce Grove, near Edmonton, where they're sharing space with two other families.

"We definitely want to go back, but we want to make sure it's safe. We don't ever want to ever go through anything like this again," she said.

Jeremy Simes
For Metro | Calgary

Theresa Blacquiere is adamant she won't return to Fort McMurray, after she fled the city in what she calls a terrifying experience.

After raging wildfires consumed about 10 per cent of Fort McMurray last week, Blacquiere was among the more than 88,000 who left their homes.

"I left with the clothes on my back," she said. "It was probably the most frightening experience I had ever been through."

Theresa Blacquiere doesn't want to come back.
JEREMY SIMES/FOR METRO

And as many plan to rebuild their lives in the city once they can return, Blacquiere said she won't — she has moved on.

"I'm too terrified to go back," she said, "and I can guarantee you I won't be back."

She said she isn't sure she'll return to fetch her belongings, as they continue to sit untouched .

"I just don't know," she said repeatedly. "I've given my landlord my notice, so I may be paying rent until June. But it is what it is — I don't plan on going back."

In fact, Blacquiere has managed to acquire her old apartment in Lacombe. She said she just feels happy to be somewhere away from the flames.

"It's just so heartbreaking to see what has happened," she said.

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ATTAWAPISKAT

Group to teach youth how to bring sports and hope home

Braeden Jones
Metro | Winnipeg

Skylar Hookimaw has been searching for a way to bring positivity into his home of Attawapiskat and believes he may have found it this week.

The First Nation declared a state of emergency in April after its population of around 2,000 saw more than 100 suicide attempts in half a year.

Both federal and provincial governments responded with crisis teams, mental-health professionals and social workers, but the state of emergency also caught the attention of Motivate Canada.

Every year, Motivate hosts the Activate National Youth Leadership Forum — a workshop-based conference for young people to learn how to leverage the power of sport and recreation to change their communities for the better.

Motivate CEO Don Adams and organizers saw social-media posts on what Attawapiskat youth said they needed.

"They were saying, 'We need more recreation, more sport, more physical activity… something to do,'" Adams said. "So we said, 'We really think our Activate program could make a difference.'"

Motivate invited Hookimaw and two other young people from Attawapiskat to Activate 2016, running this week at the YMCA Bonnenfant Camp in Dunrobin, just outside Ottawa.

Rather than dispatch outside help to Attawapiskat, Activate is teaching three of its own young people how to spark change from within.

"I think this will really help," said Hookimaw, 19. "These things I am learning are all positive, and I'm looking forward to teaching some of the youth what I'm learning.

"Hopefully they will feed off of that positivity and look forward to a brighter future."

> **Hopefully they will feed off of that positivity and look forward to a brighter future.**
> Skylar Hookimaw

He said he plans to take home some of the games and activities he's learning about.

"It would be really awesome if they had this in my community. The youth would come out and socialize more and feel like they matter," he said.

He and his neighbours Tatum Nakogee, 16, and Sky Koostachin, 22, are currently engaged in workshops on sport program development, physical literacy, networking, inclusion and wellness, to name a few.

"We hope to support them," Adams said. "They're keen to make a difference; we just want to support that."

To that end, Motivate is fundraising to send a member of its "Gen 7" role-model program for aboriginal youth to Attawapiskat to support the new "Activators."

Tatum Nakogee and Skylar Hookimaw, who are participating in Activate 2016, on Thursday in Ottawa. COURTESY DAN DUBEAU

EXPLOITATION

Child sex tourism on the rise

More children than ever are being exploited in the travel and tourism sector in Canada and around the world, according to a new report released Thursday.

The two-year study, produced by the non-governmental organization ECPAT International, found that child-sex tourism has increased drastically and changed in nature in the last 20 years despite strong global efforts to combat the problem.

The main reason is the "phenomenal" increase in global travel, which has created more opportunities for abuse, says a member of the task force that oversaw the report.

"The only way not to find this problem in any community is simply not to look," Ernie Allen said in an interview.

The study found that Canada and the U.S., which have traditionally been considered "source countries" for abusers, are increasingly also becoming destinations. In Canada, indigenous women and kids are especially vulnerable and are often moved to be exploited near oil rigs or mining sites, the report reads.

The study found that over the last 20 years, the profile of an offender has changed from the stereotype of a white, middle-aged male pedophile who travels to a less-developed country specifically to exploit children.

Now, the majority are "situational" offenders — people who may have never dreamed of sexually exploiting a child until given the opportunity to do so and are mostly local or domestic travellers.

"These are business travellers, these are migrant transient workers, these are volunteers," Allen said.

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Donald Trump and House Speaker Paul Ryan have vowed to work together despite their differences in an attempt to unify the Republican Party. GETTY IMAGES

Donald Trump mending fences

U.S. ELECTION

Front-runner pledges to work with House Speaker

Donald Trump and House Speaker Paul Ryan pledged to work together despite their differences after a meeting Thursday aimed at unifying a party torn over Trump's rise to the cusp of the Republican presidential nomination. The speaker stopped short of a full-throated endorsement but appeared closer to one.

Trump and Ryan issued a statement describing their meeting as a "very positive step toward unification" that recognized "many important areas of common ground" as well as areas where they disagree. Ryan stunned Republicans by withholding his endorsement a week ago when it became clear Trump was on a firm path to the nomination.

The much-anticipated meeting unfolded as more Republicans have begun urging the party to leave the extraordinary discord behind. The statement by the two suggested both are invested in tamping down Republican infighting as they try to pull the GOP together for the fight against Hillary Clinton and Democrats in the fall.

Ryan told a news conference they are "planting the seeds" to accomplish that.

In a tweet, Trump said: "Great day in D.C. with @SpeakerRyan and Republican leadership. Things working out really well!"

Trump, in a black SUV, slipped from one GOP power centre to another on a fence-mending mission made necessary by his outsider status in the city that embodies insiders.

The billionaire's provocative, crowd-rousing pronouncements, his arsenal of insults hurled at rivals and his amorphous positions on matters dear to conservatives have unnerved many GOP leaders who fear he will be crushed in the fall. At the same time, more are recognizing that he's tapped a deep nerve among many of the disaffected — and the GOP has no alternative to him in any event.

Rep. Tom Cole of Oklahoma, an ally of GOP leadership, said Thursday his biggest worry about Trump is that he is "'unpredictable." Yet Trump is also a "change agent," Cole said. "That's exactly what people want right now, so in that sense he's very well-positioned for a general election."

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GEORGE ZIMMERMAN

Gun used to kill Trayvon Martin goes up for sale in online auction

An online gun auction website yanked George Zimmerman's ad to sell the pistol he used to kill unarmed black teenager Trayvon Martin, saying it wanted no part in the deal, but a second site offered to post it.

A listing for the weapon was removed from the GunBroker.com site Thursday morning, minutes after the auction was to begin, as negative traffic about the sale exploded online.

In a statement posted on its website, GunBroker.com said listings are user generated, and that the company reserved the right to reject listings at its discretion. No one there "has any relationship with Zimmerman", the company wrote in its statement.

George Zimmerman THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

It added, "We want no part in the listing on our website or in any of the publicity it is receiving." Hours later, United Gun Group tweeted that it would post Zimmerman's ad.

Critics called the planned auction an insensitive move to profit from the slaying.

Zimmerman had told Orlando, Florida, TV station WOFL that the pistol was returned to him by the U.S. Justice Department, which took it after he was acquitted in Martin's 2012 shooting death.

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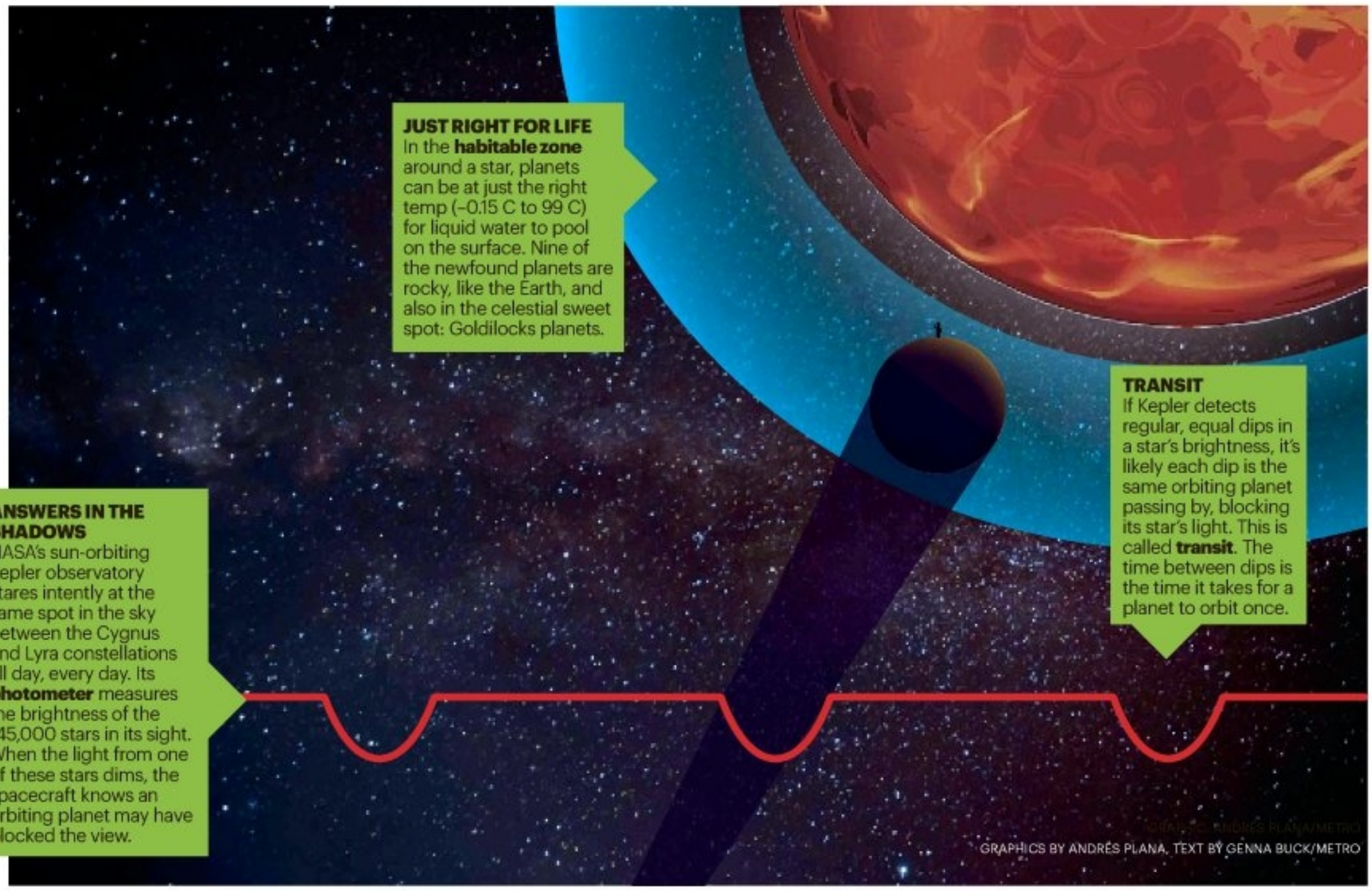
MEASLES WARNING

DECODED Goldilocks planets

IS THERE ANYBODY OUT THERE?

NASA's Kepler mission confirmed the existence of 1,284 more planets this week, doubling the total number of **exoplanets** known to science (that is, planets outside our familiar eight-planet solar system. Sorry, Pluto). Some of these new worlds are Earth-like and a handful are in that not-too-hot, not-too-cold "Goldilocks" zone — our best hope to one day learn we're **not alone in our galaxy**.



FINDINGS
Your week in science

SELECTIVE MEMORY
You know the feeling: We remember past failures and embarrassments acutely but forget less awful things that happened around the same time. A study from University College London suggests the hippocampus, which helps associate memories with their surrounding context, is less active while we're exposed to gruesome images and events.

HUNGER IN YOUR HEAD
Researchers at McGill University have discovered that a specific type of brain cells, **NG2-glia cells,** are essential for signalling to the body that we've had enough to eat.

SOUND SMART

DEFINITION
Pedomorphism is a type of genetic change: It's when the adults of a species start to display a trait that used to only be seen in the young. It can happen randomly, or through natural selection or selective breeding.

USE IT IN A SENTENCE
"I think there's a lot of **pedomorphism** bred into pugs like Pamela. Look at her chubby cheeks and big, round eyes. She looks like a puppy, but she's 16!"

CITIZEN SCIENTIST by Genna Buck

Can garlic cure my cold?

If I'm coming down with a cold, I should swallow a bunch of garlic right away, right? — Rosie, Vancouver

Mmm. Garlic bread. That will definitely make you happy and take your mind off your cold. In all seriousness, though, there's some evidence garlic prevents colds, but it's pretty weak.

Garlic contains a fragrant compound called allicin, which has been shown in the lab to have antiviral and antibacterial properties. Clinical trials in people, though, are scarce and mostly poorly designed. The most recent review of the research I could find included just one good-quality experiment: 146 people got either a placebo or 180 mg of allicin (10 cloves' worth!) daily for three months. According to self-reported symptoms (not the most reliable), the garlic group had less than half as many colds.

However, the experiment may have been thrown off because some people in the garlic group knew who they were: Their bad breath gave it away.

This example illustrates some general problems with botanical remedies. Most of their active components are found in plants in trace amounts that can vary a lot. And though you can buy concentrated plant products, they're loosely regulated. You can't always be sure the content, the dosage or the health claims on the label are accurate.

If you think "Even if garlic isn't the **best,** at least it's natural," I'd argue that statement's pretty meaningless. Cases in point: Salicylic acid (aspirin) made in a lab is chemically identical to the compound found in white willow. Botulin toxin is a "natural," lethal, poison. I'm not a doctor, but I'll tell you what I do for colds: tea, Netflix, over-the-counter fever meds, and if I think it's going to make me happier, garlic bread.

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More than gorgeous George

CLOONEY'S RESUME

The star's latest, Money Monster, at home among an eclectic mix

Richard Crouse
For Metro Canada

Clooney as he appears in this year's Money Monster. Once described by Time as "the last movie star," Clooney has built up an impressive and eclectic resume on the silver screen, writes Richard Crouse. COURTESY ATSUSHI NISHIJIMA

George Clooney is a rare breed, a one-name film star. Mention "George" and everyone knows who you're talking about.

He's headlined a handful of films dating all the way back to when there was a Clinton in the White House that raked in north of $100 million. Since leaving the television show ER in 1999, he's released two movies a year on average, including this weekend's Money Monster, a thriller about the host of a financial advice show held hostage on live TV by an investor who lost everything.

Some of his films have been successful, others not, but it's clear Clooney doesn't aspire to be a blockbuster star. Perhaps it's because George is, as Time called him, "the last movie star," that he appears determined to smash what that kind of stardom means. By lending his name to offbeat movies he deconstructs the mechanism of superstardom.

George steers his career toward character driven pieces, often at the expense of giant box office numbers. And while the fabric of his fame may fray around the edges from time to time — he's as susceptible to box office vagaries as anyone — he stays busy, winning Oscars, producing movies like August: Osage County and acting as pitchman for everyone from Fiat to Martini vermouth.

"I'm very aware of the fact that if not for a Thursday night time slot on ER, I wouldn't have this career," he once said, "so I'm going to push the limits as much as I can."

From kid flicks to period dramas and political satire Clooney has done just that.

Loosely based on a Roald Dahl story, the stop-motion animated Fantastic Mr. Fox sees Clooney as a smooth-talking fox that returns to a life of crime after buying a tree house he can't afford. Clooney brings charm, wit and warmth to an unpredictable character, smooth one minute, a wild animal the next.

Clooney also starred in The Good German, a tribute to 1940s cinema shot with technology from the golden age of Hollywood — the same lenses, the same atmospheric lighting, the same rat-a-tat-tat style of dialogue, the same everything. It's a retro-looking film made with twenty-first century creative freedom. Clooney, as an American military journalist covering the Potsdam Conference in post-war Berlin, and co-star Cate Blanchett look like golden age movie stars but behave more like Brat Packers.

Strangest of all is The Men Who Stare at Goats, the best movie with the worst name on Clooney's resume. He plays a psychic soldier in this screwball satire about the state of modern warfare. Its an absurdist film, filled with memorable images — Clooney staring down a goat, enlisted men doing the Watusi and a montage of Jeff Bridges embarking on a journey of enlightenment — where no joke is too broad or too barbed.

George is so artistically eclectic he even disowns one of his biggest hits. "I always apologize for Batman!" he says of the ludicrous Batman & Robin.

MOVIE RATINGS by Richard Crouse

Money Monster ★★	HOW RATING WORKS
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#StarringJohnCho a key social movement

LEADING MEN

New website rails against Hollywood's 'whitewashing'

How would it look if there were more Asian actors playing lead roles in Hollywood blockbusters?

Check out the #StarringJohnCho website and see for yourself.

The website has inserted Cho's image into a number of mainstream movie posters, including Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice, Go Rogue, Mother's Day and The Martian to draw attention to the fact that "whitewashing Asian roles in film abounds."

It notes that it's common practice for white stars to be cast as Asian characters, such as Scarlett Johansson playing Motoko Kusanagi in the dystopian crime story Ghost in the Shell, blonde and blue-eyed Emma Stone as Alison Ng in Aloha, and Jim Sturgess as Jeff Ma in 21.

Cho is best known as the actor who took on the iconic role of Sulu in the Star Trek reboot, and as one of the titular characters in the Harold & Kumar comedy trilogy.

However, Asian actors in Hollywood generally remain consigned to bit roles, the website argues.

"#StarringJohnCho is a social movement that literally shows you what it would look like if today's Hollywood blockbusters cast an Asian-American actor — specifically, John Cho — as their leading man," it says.

The website argues that it makes economic sense to cast more Asian leads, as diverse casts promise higher box office profits.

"Support #StarringJohnCho by sharing the hashtag and help ignite this necessary conversation," it says.

The site says it was created by 25-year-old digital strategist William Yu, who Photoshopped Cho's face onto a collection of mainstream Hollywood movie posters.

It also carries a disclaimer which states that Cho has no affiliation with it.

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In the Photoshopped movie posters, John Cho replaces some of Hollywood's favoured men. WILLIAM YU/VIA TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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A Bigger Splash a lusty, lurid thriller

INTERVIEW

'It's great to do peculiar,' says film's director Guadagnino

Richard Crouse
For Metro Canada

"I like to do peculiar," says A Bigger Splash director Luca Guadagnino. "It's great to do peculiar."

The Italian filmmaker is talking about his relationship with Tilda Swinton, star of four of his feature films. In their latest collaboration she plays a rock star recuperating from throat surgery with her boyfriend Paul (Matthias Schoenaerts) on a remote island halfway between Sicily and Tunisia. Their tranquil time, however, is shattered by the arrival of Harry (Ralph Fiennes) her former record producer and lover and his Lolita-esque daughter Penelope (Dakota Johnson). Soon into the visit the sunny Mediterranean days take a dark turn as their shared histories bring up some ghosts from the past.

In the new film Guadagnino throws a peculiar twist Swinton's way by making her character largely mute, forcing her to rely solely on her face and eyes to complete the character.

"We are very dear friends," he says of Swinton. "We love one another completely. The pleasure of one another's company is so strong, so unstoppable. Also Tilda is such a courageous performer. That combination makes everyday an adventure, new and funny and tough and great. Also, I think what we do together is very peculiar."

Swinton is spectacular but A Bigger Splash is worth the price of admission just to see Ralph Fiennes, Lord Voldemort himself, strut his stuff to disco era Rolling Stones.

"I am a big fan of Ralph Fiennes," says Guadagnino. "I have been loving him since I saw him in Schindler's List. I saw him in the trailer for the Grand Budapest Hotel and I found this kind of levity that made me think he'd be perfect for Harry."

In one long scene Fiennes unleashes some of the wildest dance moves since Elaine Benes in what must be his loosest on-screen performance ever.

Mediterranean days turn dark once Tilda Swinton, Dakota Johnson, Matthias Schoenaerts and Ralph Fiennes get together in A Bigger Splash. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

"Everything started with the brilliant script by David Kajganich and the description of how this man loses himself to the dance," says the director. "Starting from there Ralph proposed to me to work with a choreographer from London. We met her and decided it was good for her to let Ralph find something wild within him. Let him be loose with his own body and have confidence with his own movements. I described the world the choreographer and Ralph went into as psychoanalytical choreography. It was about unleashing and having the confidence to unleash. It wasn't choreography that was staged gesture by gesture. It was about creating that flow."

A Bigger Splash is a romp — a lusty and lurid thriller with worldly people, drugs, drinking and some startling nudity.

The film's nakedness, Guadagnino says, "is about being truthful to the story you are telling and the characters you are depicting. We are talking about four people on an island entangled in the web of desire. People who come from rock and roll, people who come from a sort of elite world, people who are completely liberated in their own skin even though they are completely chained by their passion. They are people who get naked. For me it is not a contrivance. It is the answer to the question, What would they wear in a place like that, doing things the way they do?"

Next time around, however, don't expect as much skin. "I can't wait to make a Victorian movie with people dressed all the way up to their necks," he laughs.

> **"I'm a big fan of Ralph Fiennes. I have been loving him since I saw him in Schindler's List.**
> Director Luca Guadagnino, on his leading man

Chris Evans just got cool

ROMANCE

Captain America is dating comic Jenny Slate

An actor-writer-producer and an actor-writer-director start dating in Hollywood. No big deal. Except one of them is Captain America.

US Weekly's breathless announcement "She's Team Cap!" revealed that Jenny Slate and Chris Evans are official at item, their fledgling relationship immediately put under the microscope of gossip sites, celebrity journalists and social media.

"They're prefect," gushed Elle magazine in a Tweet.

While Slate doesn't have Evans' profile, there's much to generate hope that this could be the perfect match for both of them. They're both 34, both hail from Boston and they share strong chemistry as well as rapier wits.

As Evans put it, according to US Weekly, "Oddly enough, I've only known Jenny for a few months, which is insane to say because we're like the same animal."

Evans, who has previously dated Jessica Biel, Christina Ricci and Minka Kelly, met Slate while they were shooting the family drama Gifted in Savannah, Ga. Slate has recently split from husband and collaborator Dean Fleischer-Camp.

Salon.com's Mary Elizabeth Williams wondered what all the fuss was about. "Should it really come as any surprise that a successful, smart, objectively good-looking woman could find romance with a successful, smart, objectively good-looking man?"

Chris Evans (inset) says of Jenny Slate: "I've only known Jenny for a few months, which is insane to say because we're like the same animal." GETTY IMAGES

Truth is, Evans is a huge star and acknowledged among his fans to be a total smokeshow.

And while Slate is a bright, talented and funny, her career trajectory doesn't match his. Which is not to say that is a permanent status.

The former Saturday Night Live cast member broke through with writer-director Gillian Robespierre's Obvious Child in 2014, which she both starred in and produced.

Slate played a stand-up comic dealing with an unplanned pregnancy in the dramatic comedy, which was seen as controversial in some circles and earned solid reviews.

She told the Star's Bruce DeMara in 2014: "It's a bummer that a movie that is so thoughtful and kind of everyday about a woman's right to choose — and that this one woman chooses an abortion — that that is groundbreaking, it makes me sad."

As for Evans, his resume extends beyond The Avengers and Steve Rogers.

He wrote, directed and starred in romance Before We Go, which premiered at TIFF in 2014 and was impressive in Joon-ho Bong's futurist sci-fi social commentary Snowpiercer.

In Ariel Vromen's The Iceman, a long, greasy wig and oversized glasses rendered Evans unrecognizable as an ice cream truck-driving murderer who teams up for mob hits with real-life killer Richard Kuklinski (Michael Shannon).

As BuzzFeed feature writer Anne Helen Petersen noted on Twitter: "Dating Jenny Slate makes Chris Evans infinitely more interesting."

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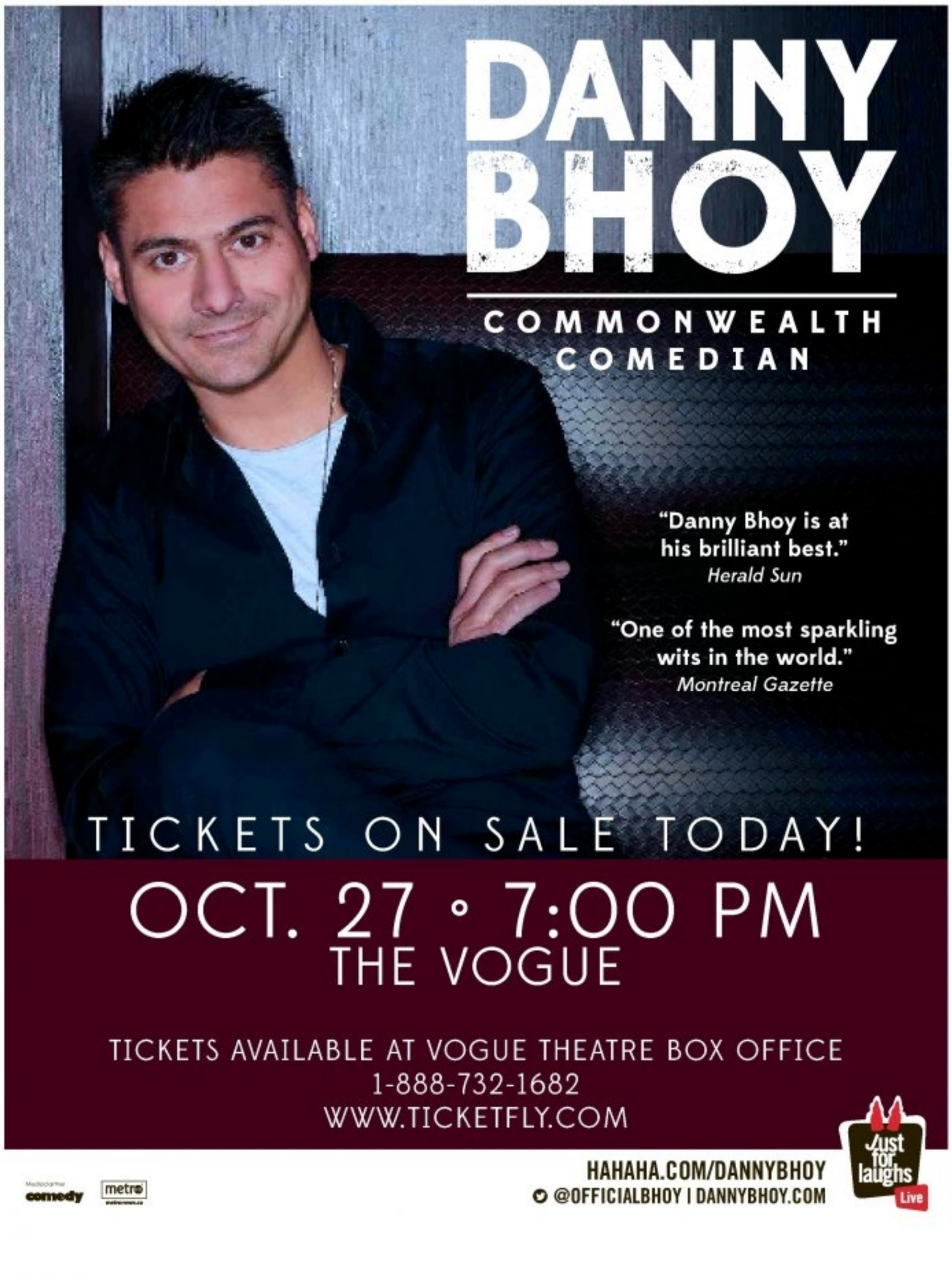

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You had me at 'no mosquitoes'

VANCOUVER ISLAND

Food, farms and forests await in B.C.'s Qualicum

Kathy Buckworth
For Metro Canada

"Relax, it's Qualicum!" I heard this many times during my visit to this small Vancouver Island community, whose population of 8,900 swells to 16,000 in the summer.

They boast the dubious honour of having the highest median age of any city in Canada. But if you think that means this is a sleepy tea-room filled community, think again.

"If you're bored in Qualicum Beach it's your own fault," one of the residents said to me, as I attended one of many concerts held at the Old School House Arts Centre. I would return to the Arts Centre the next day to take a water colour painting class (which confirmed my career as a writer), one of a virtual plethora of programs and exhibits offered on an ever changing basis.

Qualicum life is exemplified at the Courtyard Café. Meryl and Peter Tryon run this community-minded restaurant, and their specialty crepes have both locals and visitors visiting often.

After filling up on a Crepe Benny, I headed to the Farmers Market (Saturdays only) which sees 70 per cent of the market stalls occupied by farmers and local food makers who are required to be there themselves, a "meet your maker" approach which is extremely successful. The other booths are filled with local crafters.

Qualicum Beach offers a number of ways to unwind; from watching the ocean tides from the Qualicum Beach Inn, to exploring the 50-acre Heritage Forest and the Saturday Farmers Market . PHOTOS BY KATHY BUCKWORTH

It's B.C., so seafood? Of course. The CView Restaurant in the Qualicum Beach Inn has an extensive menu, which is best enjoyed on their cozy fire-pit laden patio.

Take a drive down the highway a bit to Parksville and visit the Tigh-Na-Mara Seaside Spa & Resort, as well known for its spa as it is their changing local cuisine.

While much of the full time population may be in their retirement years, Qualicum Beach and its neighbour Parksville are full of visiting young families and couples from Victoria (just a two hour drive away), or from the Lower Mainland, via ferry.

> **If you're bored in Qualicum Beach it's your own fault.**
> Qualicum resident

Families often opt to stay at the Beach Club Resort & Inn, for its convenient suites, complete with full kitchens and well-traversed boardwalk on the ocean. Kite surfers and kite flyers fill the seascape.

I finished my visit with a hike through the 50-acre Heritage Forest where 200-year-old Douglas Firs rise up to 700 feet in the air.

"There are no mosquitoes, skunks, grizzly bears or moose on the island" said Gary Murdock of Pacific Rainforest Adventure Tours.

No wonder they're relaxed. You had me at no mosquitoes.

TRAVEL NOTES TOP AIRLINE, NEW COASTER AND MT. EVEREST CLIMBERS RETURN

Alaska tops best airlines list

Alaska Airlines and JetBlue Airways still rank highest in the annual J.D. Power survey of passengers on the nine largest North American airlines. J.D. Power said Wednesday that Alaska Airlines ranked highest among traditional airlines for the ninth straight year and JetBlue was the top-rated low-cost carrier for the 11th year in a row. Air Canada ranked fourth, and WestJet finished third among low-cost carriers. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Valravn debuts at Cedar Point

Cedar Point, in Sandusky, Ohio, is home to the new roller coaster that opened to the public Saturday. The ride, called Valravn, gives riders a sweeping view of Lake Erie before dropping them over 200 feet on a 90-degree free fall that hits a top speed of 75 mph. It also turns riders upside down three times. The roller coaster has already broken records as the world's tallest, fastest and longest dive coaster. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Climbers reach summit

Nine Nepalis reached the top of Mount Everest on Wednesday, the first group of climbers to summit the world's highest mountain in three years after deadly disasters forced a shutdown. The team reached the summit at 5:02pm (1117 GMT) while fixing ropes for foreign climbers, who will try later this week to ascend the mountain, hit by tragedy in 2014 and 2015. Hundreds of climbers abandoned the mountain last year after an earthquake-triggered avalanche killed 18 people at Everest base camp. AFP

5 THINGS TO SEE ALONG DENVER'S BRIGHTON BOULEVARD

A busy street connecting downtown Denver to the interstate, roaring with trucks and running alongside railroad tracks, might not sound like a trendy neighbourhood in the making. But now's the time to visit Brighton Boulevard before it begins to look too much like any hipster street in any other city.

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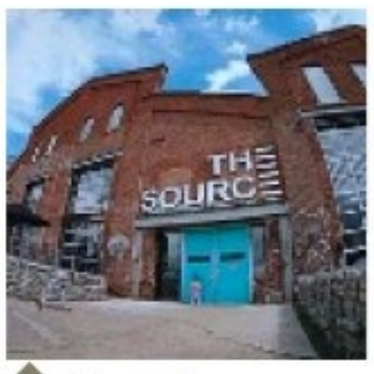
1 Cowboys and rodeos

A mural depicting farm animals and dancing cowboys just off Brighton Boulevard is easy for drivers to miss. Its delicate greens and oranges, on jewel-like tiles on a concrete wall, are almost invisible in the shadow of Interstate 70. From the mural, it's a short walk to the National Western Complex, which hosts rodeos, martial arts tournaments, alpaca exhibits, classic car auctions and concerts throughout the year.

2 Museum

Toward downtown is the Forney Museum of Transportation, a nostalgic stop for its classic inventory. The cavernous hall sitting along railroad tracks displays a nail-polish red 1936 Morgan racer and other vintage cars, motorcycles, bicycles, planes and boats, including a Martin AirCar designed for land, sea and air travel.



3 Food

The Source, a European-style food market in what was once a brick foundry at 33rd and Brighton, includes eateries like Comida, where winter squash pancakes, bacon jalapeno griddled tacos and a long list of cocktails are on the menu. Three blocks away, the Will Call tavern serves drinks, burgers and empanadas.

4 Arts

The trendy restaurants, tech and public relations tenants are just some of the signs of gentrification to hit this neighbourhood dotted with manufacturers. Also new: entertainment that's not a rodeo. The Denver Center for the Performing Arts has ventured out of its downtown theatre for an immersive, interactive performance project called Sweet and Lucky.

5 Activities

Other indicators of change include recreational marijuana shops and artists moving into warehouses. Galleries and ateliers for dressmakers and artisans working in wood and metal have also popped up. Another warehouse nearby houses Denver's Great Room Escape, an experience where participants pay to enter a room and use clues and riddles to get out.

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"The walls are down": Vancouver's Victor Montagliani, head of the Canadian Soccer Association, after being voted president of CONCACAF

Thunder knock off Spurs

NBA PLAYOFFS

Durant scores 37 points, OKC books date with Warriors

Kevin Durant scored 37 points, Russell Westbrook added 28, and the Oklahoma City Thunder beat the San Antonio Spurs 113-99 on Thursday night to win the Western Conference semifinal series 4-2.

Steven Adams had 15 points and 11 rebounds, and Andre Roberson added 14 points for the Thunder.

GAME 6 In Oklahoma

113	99

Oklahoma City lost 124-92 in Game 1, but first-year coach Billy Donovan led the Thunder to victory in four of the next five. Oklahoma City will face defending NBA champion Golden State in the Western Conference final, starting Monday in Oakland.

And the Spurs could head into an uncertain future after a franchise-record 67-win season, with 40-year-old Tim Duncan struggling for much of the series before scoring 19 points as San Antonio tried to fight back in the fourth quarter.

Kawhi Leonard scored 22 points and LaMarcus Aldridge added 18 for the Spurs. San Antonio lost just once at home during the regular season, but the Thunder beat the Spurs twice in San Antonio during the series.

Oklahoma City opened up a 47-29 lead late in the second quarter after a three-pointer by Westbrook that brought a roar from the crowd.

Durant's three-pointer with 2.3 seconds left in the half pushed the lead to 55-31 at the break. Durant scored 18 points in the first half and Westbrook added 13.

The Thunder looked like the Spurs often do in the first half, running an efficient offence and shooting 46.5 per cent from the field while committing just three turnovers before the break.

It was a season-low point total for the Spurs in a first half. San Antonio shot 31.1 per cent from the field before the break and missed all nine of its three-pointers.

Oklahoma City kept the pressure on and led 91-65 at the end of the third quarter.

The veteran Spurs had one last surge left and got as close as 11, but a three-pointer by Westbrook, then a driving layup by Westbrook, killed San Antonio's momentum for good.

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Thunder centre Steven Adams grabs a rebound in front of the Spurs' LaMarcus Aldridge on Thursday night in Oklahoma City.

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NHL PLAYOFFS

Sharks clinch return to West final

Captain Joe Pavelski got San Jose off to a fast start in Game 7 with his franchise record-tying ninth goal of the playoffs to send the Sharks to their first Western Conference final in five years with a 5-0 victory over the Nashville Predators on Thursday night.

Joel Ward, Logan Couture, Joe Thornton and Patrick Marleau also scored as San Jose bounced back from a lacklustre loss in Game 6 to thoroughly dominate the Predators to reach the conference final for the fourth time in franchise history.

GAME 7 In San Jose

5	0

Martin Jones made 20 saves for San Jose's first playoff shutout in six years. The home team won all seven games in this series.

After blowing a 3-0 series lead to Los Angeles in 2014 in their most noteworthy in a long list of playoff collapses and missing the post-season entirely last year, the Sharks are now one round away from advancing to the Stanley Cup final for the first time in franchise history.

San Jose will open the conference final on the road Sunday against the St. Louis Blues.

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DeRozan delivers with strings attached

Alex McKechnie works on DeMar DeRozan on Wednesday.

STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

RAPTORS GAME 6 PREVIEW

The red shoestring Raptors director of sports science Alex McKechnie spun around DeMar DeRozan's injured thumb in Game 5 was a popular topic of conversation around the team on Thursday.

"It was interesting. It was an excellent method, I guess, from Alex McKechnie," Raptors coach Dwane Casey said.

Whatever he did, it worked. Despite re-aggravating the thumb injury in the fourth quarter, DeRozan came back with 4:17 left and made all eight of his free throws and a jumper to keep the Raptors in front.

DeRozan finished the night with 34 points and went 11-for-11 at the line.

"I'd never seen it before. Whatever works, whatever means necessary," Casey said of the lace around the thumb. "Alex is one of the best. That's why he's one of the best in the business, with his methods. I had never seen that before."

As for the digit, Casey said there was no news on DeRozan's thumb as of Thursday afternoon.

"I don't know if it's better or worse. We didn't talk about it," Casey said. "He doesn't talk about it. He's ready to go."

With DeRozan and Kyle Lowry struggling with shooting throughout the playoffs, Casey said having DeRozan see his shot drop — he was 11 of 22 in Game 5 — could make a difference going back to Miami.

"It helps tremendously," he said. "Even Kyle seeing the ball go through the hoop, it helps him tremendously."

Lowry was 9-for-25 and 4-for-9 from three-point range.

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The Sharks celebrate a goal scored by Joe Pavelski, front.

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Collision broke jaw of Whitecaps' Kudo

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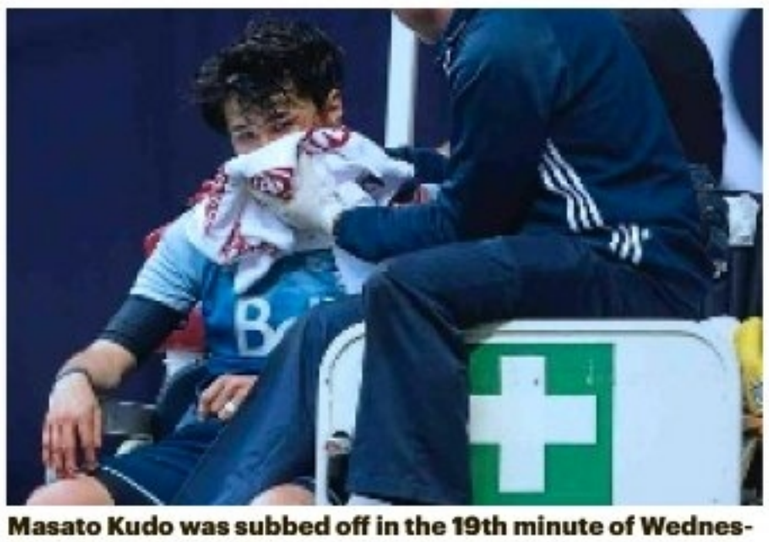
No timeline for prized off-season addition's return



Masato Kudo was subbed off in the 19th minute of Wednesday's 2-1 win over Chicago. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

The Vancouver Whitecaps say striker Masato Kudo will undergo surgery for a fractured jaw suffered in an ugly collision during Wednesday night's game against the Chicago Fire.

The 26-year-old was hit by Fire goalkeeper Matt Lampson as both players were going for a ball in the 11th minute of Vancouver's 2-1 victory.

Kudo took a shoulder to the face before his head slammed on the turf. Blood could be seen dripping from his mouth as players from both teams immediately waved to Vancouver's medical staff for help.

Kudo stayed down for several minutes as the crowd at B.C. Place Stadium waited in anxious silence until he was helped to his feet and carted to the locker-room.

The Whitecaps initially said during the game that Kudo suffered a concussion and also bit his lip and tongue, but added that he was going to hospital for further evaluation.

They announced the surgery on Thursday, adding that there's no timetable for his return.

"Apologies, well wishes and a speedy recovery to masatokudo9," Lampson tweeted from his verified account on Wednesday night. "I hate to see injuries like that happen."

Kudo was replaced in the lineup by Blas Perez, who scored both of Vancouver's goals, including a stunning bicycle-kick winner in the 89th minute.

But it was clear the injury was weighing heavily on the Whitecaps, who visit Toronto FC on Saturday.

"Mixed emotions today," Vancouver head coach Carl Robinson said during his post-match press conference. "Delighted for Blas. Top, top professional. Two super goals.

"Obviously a big blow losing Masato ... mixed emotions."

Kudo scored his first goal for Vancouver in Saturday's 2-1 victory over the Portland Timbers, the Whitecaps' best performance of 2016.

The Tokyo native joined Vancouver in the off-season from Japan's Kashiwa Reysol, where he was the club's all-time leading scorer with 91 goals in 247 appearances. THE CANADIAN PRESS

WORLD HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP

Hall scores twice in Canada's latest win

Taylor Hall scored twice as Canada survived a second-period scare and defeated Germany 5-2 Thursday at the world hockey championship.

The Germans scored twice in the second to tie the game 2-2, forcing Canada coach Bill Peters to juggle his lines.

Canada responded quickly as Hall scored his second of the game, and team-leading fifth of the tournament, at the 3:54 mark of the third period on a pass from Connor McDavid.

Preliminary round

CANADA	GERMANY
5	2

Canada moved into a tie with Finland for first place in Group B. Both teams have 12 points from four regulation wins.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

IN BRIEF

French prosecutors probe $2M tied to 2020 Olympics

French prosecutors said Thursday that $2 million US tied to Tokyo's winning bid for the 2020 Olympics was apparently paid to an account linked to the son of the disgraced former IAAF president in the months immediately before and after the Japanese capital won the games. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Kenya not compliant with drug-testing: Officials

World Anti-Doping Agency officials declared Kenya's drug-fighting agency out of compliance Thursday, a move that places the track powerhouse's participation in this summer's Olympics in jeopardy. The move comes less than a month after the country's president signed legislation that criminalizes doping. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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RECIPE Salmon with Peach Cucumber Salsa

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Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

The fresh and fiery salsa on this delicately seasoned salmon serves up easy alongside a simple salad and big glass of thank Goodness it's Friday.

Ready in
Prep time: 15 minutes
Cook time: 15 minutes

Ingredients
- 4 or 5 filets of salmon with skin
- 2 cups of peeled, pitted and diced peaches (I used 3 peaches)
- 1 cup unpeeled, diced cucumber
- 3/4 cup diced red pepper
- 1/4 cup washed, finely chopped cilantro
- 4 Tbsp lime juice
- 1 tsp of chipotle chilies, minced

Directions

1. Mix all the ingredients for the salsa except the chilies. Separate the amount that you think you'll give little kids or those with zero tolerance for heat. Then add your chiles to the remaining mixture and stir. Taste and check seasoning. Cover and place in the fridge while you fire up the grill.

2. Wash and pat dry the salmon. Season the fish with salt and pepper and a slick of olive oil on both sides. Place the fish on the grill, skin side down. Now, don't touch that fish. The heat from the grill will sear the fish and allow it to come away from the grill. Leave for 4 to 5 minutes, depending on the size of your filets.

3. Use a thin spatula to flip the fish. Allow to cook for another 4 to 5 minutes. Remove from grill and use a fork to break into the middle to see if fish is opaque. Serve with a heaping spoon of salsa.

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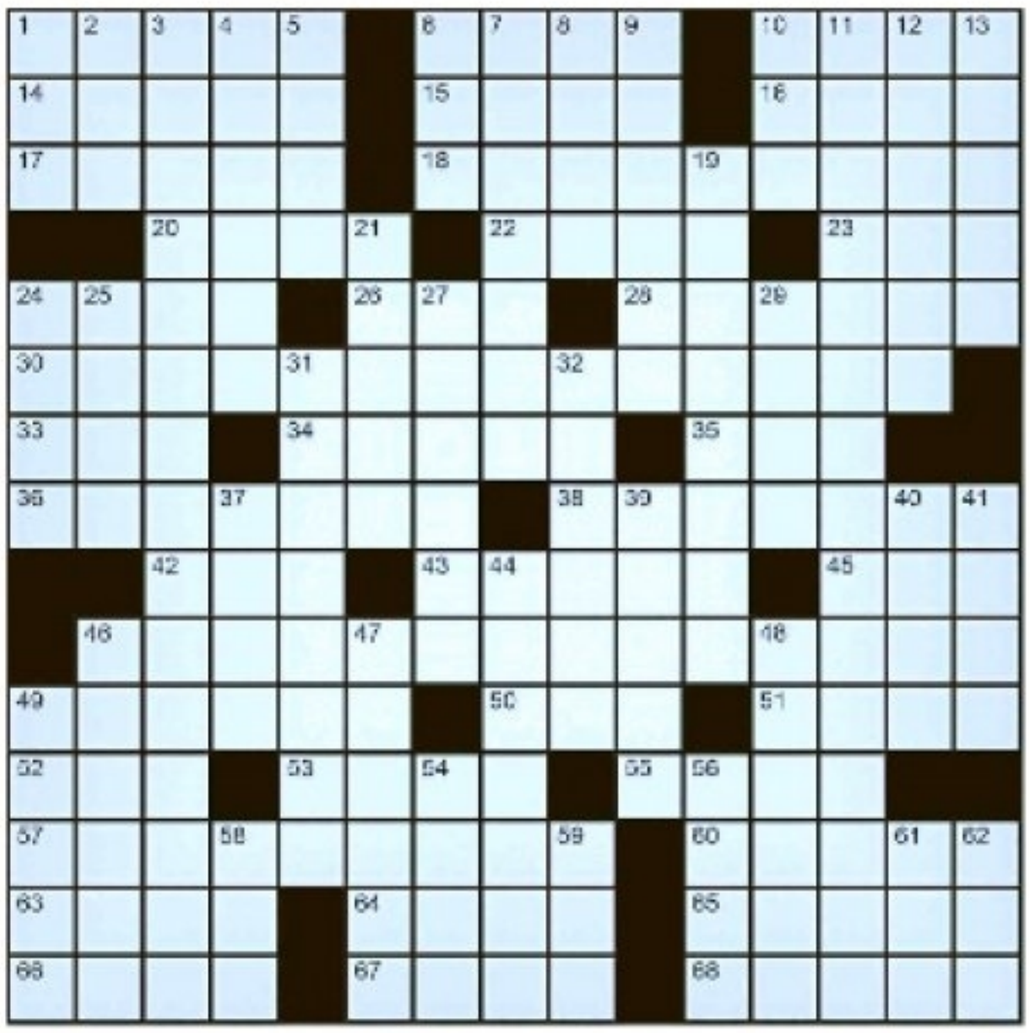
CROSSWORD Canada Across and Down

BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN



ACROSS
1. Christianity symbol
6. Particle
10. Prefix to 'culture'
14. "Tiny Bubbles" singer: 2 wds.
15. Eagerly excited
16. Cupid's Greek counterpart
17. Halifax-based energy company
18. CH-149 _ (RCAF search & rescue helicopter); or, Large fish-loving seabird
20. Laughing sounds
22. Pantene _-_ (Shampoo)
23. NBC show since '75
24. "Right on!"
26. Comedian Mr. Philips
28. Loch creature of Scotland, affectionately
30. What daredevil Nik Wallenda would successfully do over Niagara Falls in 2012: 3 wds.
33. Mr. Holbrook
34. Bear voiced by Bill Murray in "The Jungle Book" (2016)
35. Prefix to 'angle'
36. Like a voice that is full and rich
38. Actor, Taylor _
42. Triumphed
43. Cargo-placing worker
45. Ell's predecessor
46. 1992 hit for British band The Cure: 4 wds.
49. Comparatively tidy: 2 wds.
50. Band, with Speedwagon
51. Aren'ts antonyms
52. Embassy diplomat, briefly
53. Line above the equator, _. _.
55. "Gomer Pyle, _-_-_-_"
57. Super small
60. Oohed and _
63. Desert weather
64. Ceremonial magnificence
65. Singer Mr. Lopez
66. Amphibious WWII vessels
67. Power [abbr.]
68. Canadian singer Jann

DOWN
1. B-F inbetweeners
2. _-com (Movie genre)
3. OYR = _ _ _ (Calgary performance theatre company)
4. "Honey, I _ the Kids" (1989)
5. Drench
6. Fella
7. Monster of BC's Lake Okanagan
8. Unit of pressure
9. Village on BC's Sunshine Coast
10. _ Lingus (Ireland's flyer)
11. Nova Scotia... Unique flower that grows in the bogs of the Cape Breton Highlands National Park: 3 wds.
12. '60s songstress Ms. Spector
13. Basket fibre
19. Capsize
21. _ _ extra plate (Accommodate the supper guest)
24. "Horton Hears _ _!" (2008)
25. Volcanic crater
27. Gently
29. Type
31. Plentiful
32. Fleetwood Mac hit in 1982: 2 wds.
37. "Jump _ _!" (Get going!)
39. Friends to 'and sometimes Y'
40. Icicle's locale
41. Seedy loaves
44. TV show's showing slot
46. Leg bones
47. Slanting
48. Hedy of Hollywood
49. _ spray (Decongestant)
54. Deity of ancient Thebes
56. _ _ few moments (Rested briefly)
58. Dates to follow BCs
59. Train co.
61. Compass point
62. Racket

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
This is a tricky day because you have great moneymaking ideas, but you should wait until tomorrow to act. Today's overconfidence might trip you up.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
You are persuasive today. Naturally, you can use this advantage to go after what you want. However, what you want might be different by tomorrow.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
You want to seek out answers today. You also have patience and motivation to find what you're looking for. In fact, you feel like a sleuth.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Discussions with artistic, creative people will please you today. You might admire what they can do. (Don't spend money on anything other than food or gas today.)

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
This is a tricky day. The Moon is in your sign, but it's a bit wobbly. This means that what you initiate might not fulfill your objective. Easy does it.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
This is a loosey-goosey day. Nevertheless, you will love to kick around ideas about travel to distant lands or doing something "different." Just dream; do not act today.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Resist the urge to make important decisions about inheritances and shared property today, because this is a poor day to do so. Ironically, people are in agreement. Go figure.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
This is a lovely day to hang out with partners and close friends, and just schmooze. Take a long lunch. Enjoy the company of others.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Although it's easy to get along with co-workers today, your efficiency might suffer because you don't feel like working. Warning: Don't initiate anything new.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
This is a wonderful, creative day! People who work in the arts, the entertainment world or the hospitality industry will be full of clever, original ideas.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Today you will have to go more than halfway when dealing with others, because the Moon is opposite your sign. Nevertheless, don't agree to anything important. Just coast.

Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Resist the urge to initiate or suggest new ideas at work today, because it's a poor day to do this. However, you can research and get further information about what you hope to do.

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

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